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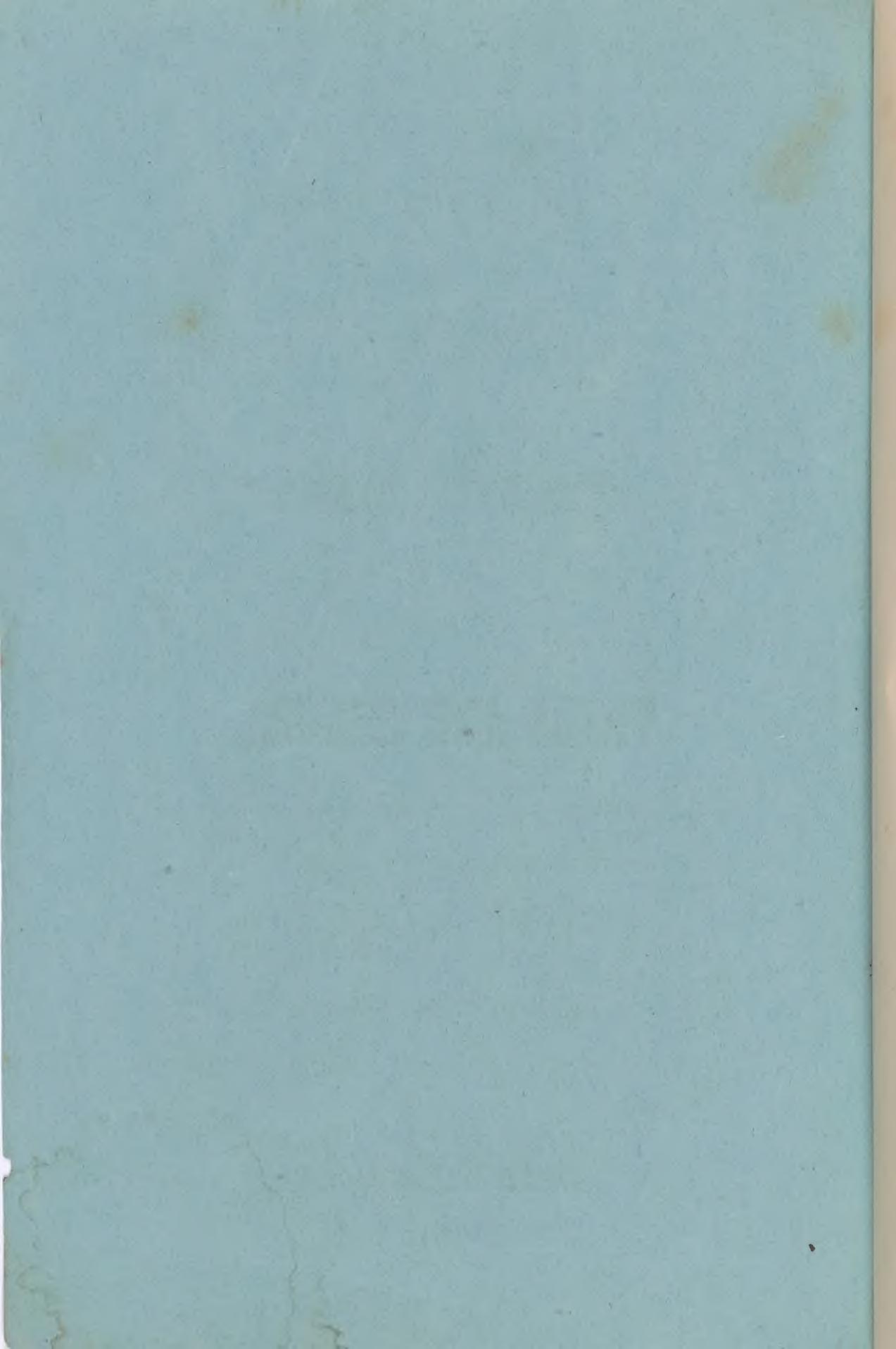
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## Advertisement.

HIS Catalogue is intended more especially for the Retail Trade. Almost every thriftily kept Lawn or Garden demands each year something in the line of Nursery Stock. It is of great importance to the purchaser, to know from reliable information, what, among the numberless varieties to be had, are the most profitable for general cultivation, and where they may be obtained near by, and from experienced and responsible Nurserymen. Too often time and money are thrown away either by branching off onto something entirely new, or by patronizing the unknown and dishonest traveling salesmen of distant nurseries.

Our Nurseries were established in 1817 and, since that time, it has ever been the endeavor to satisfy the real practical interests of customers. During this long period, we have been largely interested, as practical fruit growers and horticulturists, and the knowledge thus gained from experience has determined almost entirely the varieties cultivated in the Nursery. We are thus able to give, in this Catalogue, a list of such fruit and ornamental trees and shrubbery as we have found best adapted to this climate, and which we can honestly recommend as most profitable for general cultivation.

Persons ordering from this list may be confident of having hardy, thrifty, profitable trees and plants—provided always the requisite care in planting and tending is given them.

We earnestly invite personal inspection of our Nurseries where possible. Orders by mail will receive prompt and eareful attention, and we guarantee that all the articles which we may send will be satisfactory.

#### DIRECTIONS FOR PLANTING.

Almost without exception the different products of the Nursery thrive best in a rich, mellow, well-drained soil. Before planting, the ground for from 2 to 5 feet all around the place where the tree is to be set should be deeply spaded. Dig the holes large enough to receive the roots spread out in their natural position. In setting, let one person hold the tree in position while another covers the roots with loose, rich earth, pressing it all about them with the hand so that no empty spaces be left underneath. Finally press the earth firmly with the foot. Avoid deep planting. When done the tree should stand no deeper than when in the Nursery.

#### Distances at which Trees Should be Planted.

FEET APART.	FEET APART.
Apples from	Currants, Raspberries,

Frequent top dressings of good, well rotted manure are highly beneficial. Spread manure all about trees for several feet, but do not pile much about the body. In the Winter, draw it away to prevent mice harboring about the roots.

When desired, Selections of Fruit for the Orchard or Garden, embracing a succession of the finest varieties, will be made by the proprietors. Also selections of Ornamental Trees and Shrubs for cemeteries, lawns or parks.

Trees may be removed at any time after hard frosts in the Fall till the buds start in the Spring—except when the weather is freezing.

TERMS CASH, OR SATISFACTORY ARRANGEMENT.

Liberal discount on all large orders.

Correspond for further information or special rates.

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## Fruit Department.

#### APPLES.

#### EARLY AND LATE SUMMER.

- PRINCE'S EARLY HARVEST OR BRACKEN—Above medium size, pale yellow, sub-acid, the earliest apple and one of the best. Last of June.
- EARLY CHANDLER-Medium size, striped red, sour, a good bearer, fine for market. First of July.
- RED ASTRACHAN—Large, deep red, valuable market variety, bears better further North. July.
- PRIMATE—A large, rather flat, light colored apple, sub-acid, tree a fair bearer. First of July.
- Benoni-Medium size, striped red, flesh firm and of fine quality, sub-acid; tree a great bearer. July to August.
- Summer Rose—Rather small, striped red on yellow ground; delicious. First of August.
- Summer Sweet—The best early sweeting, medium, yellow, very sweet, tree a great bearer. First of July.
- Early Sweet Bow—A large, yellow apple, medium sweet; fine for eating; tree a good bearer.

#### FALL AND EARLY WINTER.

- Bellflower—Yellow, large, oblong, very showy, fine flavor; one of the most popular apples. September to December.
- Cook's Sweet-A large, yellow, finely flavored apple; tree a vigorous grower and a great and sure bearer. August.
- Cooper-Large, yellow, striped red, tree a great bearer. September to December.
- Esopus Spitzenburg—Large, round, ovate, with deep red stripes on yellow ground, very fragrant, sub-acid; a great bearer. September to December.
- Fall or Pound Pippin—Very large, roundish oblong, yellow; very popular; tree a fine grower and good bearer. September to December.

- Honey Sweeting or Honey Greening—Good size, yellow, compact, very sweet; tree a great bearer. October to December.
- Kingsbury—Very large, round, sweet, russet; tree a moderate bearer.
  August to September.
- Pound Royal-Large, oblong, greenish yellow. First of August.
- Rambo—Large, flat, striped red on yellow ground, mild, sub-acid; tree a very vigorous grower and a great bearer; one of the most popular and best. October to December.
- Talpehocking—Very large, sub-acid, greenish yellow; tree a vigorous grower and an early and great bearer. November to February.
- Red Pearmain-Very large, oblong, striped red on yellow ground. October to December.
- RED PUMPKIN SWEET—Good size, very red, rich and sweet. October to December.

#### WINTER.

- AMERICAN PIPPIN OR GRINDSTONE-Medium, flat, greenish russet, with red stripes; a great keeper. May.
- Baldwin-Large, striped red, rich flavor; a great bearer. January to February.
- BEN DAVIS-Large, red striped; fine bearer. December to February.
- Broadwell-Large, pale yellow, very sweet; fine bearer. December to February.
- CANFIELD'S SWEET-
- GENNETING OR ROCK RIMMON—Medium size, striped red, juicy and rich; a great bearer and one of the most popular. February.
- Greening, Rhode Island—Large, green; one of the best for Northern latitudes. December to February.
- GRIMES' GOLDEN-Medium, oblong, fine, clear yellow, sub-acid; tree hardy and very productive. December to March.
- King Pippin—A large, red, oblong apple, of fine flavor, and very productive. December to February.
- NEWTOWN PIPPIN—Large, green and yellow; popular at the North but does not do so well in this latitude.
- Northern Spy--Very large, red and yellow, rich sub-acid; late in bearing. December to January.
- Peck's Pleasant-Large, roundish, yellow, with a blush, juicy, fine flavor. December to February.
- Pennock's Red Large, flattish, striped red; a good bearer. February.
- PRYOR'S RED-Large, striped russet, mild acid; one of the most popular apples in the South and West. February.
- Rome Beauty—Very large, red and yellow, showy, very saleable; tree bears young; the most popular apple in Southern Ohio. December to March.

- ROMANITE OR GILPIN—Medium size, bright red; a good keeper, fine for cider; tree a great bearer. May.
- ROXBURY OR PUTNAM RUSSET—Large russet; a very superior apple for all purposes; tree a great and sure bearer. December to March.
- Smith's Cider-Good size, striped red; a great bearer; keeps well.
- Seeknofurther—Medium, roundish, reddish striped and russet. December to February.
- White Pippin-Large, greenish white; tree a vigorous grower and fine bearer. January to February.
- Wine Sap-Medium size, oblong, dark red, good flavor; great bearer and keeper. February to March.
- Willow-Large, green, striped red, sub-acid; tree an early, sure and very great bearer. February.

#### PEARS.

#### DWARF AND STANDARD.

It is now generally conceded that Dwarf Pears can be profitably cultivated in this climate. The fruit is the best of all our fruits, the crops are generally certain, the yield is enormous, and the prices realized for good pears are usually higher than for any other fruit. Fruit growers, both large and small, are now devoting much attention to Dwarf Pears. Competent judges, who have made their culture a specialty, assert "that their pear crops for ten years or more have been more uniform and reliable than those of the apple and more profitable than any other tree fruits."

Mr. M. B. Bateham, Secretary of Ohio State Horticultural Society, says that "for amateur and home enjoyment, no trees afford so much interest combined with profit as Dwarf Pears. They require so little room, are so tractable and fond of pruning, and withal show so much gratitude for favors received, that one can not help feeling affection for them, and to begrudge the labor they require is like begrudging the daily care bestowed on our children."

Dwarfs begin bearing almost immediately. Planted deep, the earth brought up around the pear stock (the quince root on which they are grafted), they become half standard. The tree grows to be as large as desirable. Thus continuous crops of fruit are obtained almost from the time they are planted.

Our stock of Dwarf Pears is unusually fine. We call attention to the following varieties selected from many, and believed to be the best for general cultivation. Those marked thus \* are recommended as succeeding best as standards.

Prices-Single trees 50 cents each, \$4.00 per doz., \$25.00 per hundred.

- \*Bartlett—The best known and most popular pear; large, yellow, buttery and melting with a rich perfumed flavor; a good grower and great bearer. August and September.
- CLAPP'S FAVORITE—Large, pyriform, resembling Bartlett, skin thin, pale lemon color, dotted with brown and slightly russet; flesh buttery, melting and rich. August.
- Edmonds—Medium to large, very fine grained, melting, sweet and delicious. August.
- OSBAND'S SUMMER—Medium size, melting, juicy, fine flavor. Middle of August.
- Tyson—One of the finest Summer varieties, medium size, sweet and fine flavor; tree a vigorous and rapid grower. September.
- Buffum—Medium size, buttery, sweet and fine flavor; tree a vigorous upright grower. September.
- Beurre D' Anjou-A large, fine pear, melting, with slightly vinous flavor; tree a fine grower and bearer. October.
- Duchess—The largest of all good pears, yellow, with brown specks and blush; tree a great bearer, handsome and one of the hardiest. October.
- \*Flemish Beauty-Large, brownish blush, juicy, melting; universally esteemed. September.
- Howell—One of the finest American pears; large, handsome, melting; tree vigorous, hardy, productive. September.
- Louise Bonne de Jersey-A large, handsome pear, yellow, with dark red cheek, rich and melting. October.
- Seckel—A well known, very fine, small sized pear, with russet cheeks, unsurpassed for flavor; tree stout, hardy and very productive. September.
- Urbanest—A large, melting, buttery pear of first quality; tree a compact moderate grower. October and November.

#### PEACHES.

25 cents each, \$15.00 per hundred.

Crawford's Early, Crawford's Late, Hale's Early, Heath Cling, Old Mixed Free, President, Early York, Smock's Free,

Stump the World, Troth's Early, Large White Free, Ward's Late Free.

#### CHERRIES.

Fifty cents each.

Black Eagle, Black Tartarian, Governor Wood, Yellow Spanish,

Early Richmond, May Duke.

#### PLUMS.

Fifty cents each.

Cog's Golden Drop, Lombard,

Washington, Duane's Purple.

Bradshaw,

#### QUINCES.

Fifty cents each.

Apple,

Pear.

#### GRAPES.

The Grape Vine requires a rich, deep, dry soil and an open situation. Train to stakes, trellis work, walls, or the side of a building. In Winter, shorten the new growth to about three eyes.

We offer the following well known varieties, universally prized for hardiness, productiveness, quality of fruit and entire freedom from rot or mildew.

Single vines 25 to 50 cents each, according to size, \$2.00 per dozen, \$5.00 per hundred.

CONCORD—Berries large, purplish black, sweet juicy and good; bunches large, ripening early and uniformly; vine vigorous and hardy; well adapted for market fruit and emphatically the best farmer's grape or the grape for the million.

Catawba—A well known popular grape; berries large, purplish red, when fully ripe; excellent.

Delaware-Bunches and berries small but very numerous; of a beautiful light red color, very sweet and delicious, resembling the finest foreign grapes in vinous aroma; vine moderate grower at first, but more vigorous as it becomes established in rich soil; perfectly hardy.

HARTFORD PROLIFIC—Similar to Concord; vine vigorous and hardy, berries good size.

Ive's Seedling--A very fine, early, black grape; bunches medium to large and compact; berries good size; one of the hardiest vines and greatest bearers.

#### CURRANTS.

Fifteen cents each, \$1.50 per dozen. Red Dutch,

Cherry.

White Dutch,

#### RASPBERRIES.

\$1.50 per dozen, \$5.00 per hundred.

Yellow,

Red.

Black Cap.

#### GOOSEBERRIES.

20 cents each, \$1.50 per dozen, \$10.00 per hundred.

HOUGHTON'S SEEDLING—A native, hardy variety, entirely free from mildew, red, of medium size and thin skin; it yields enormously.

#### BLACKBERRIES.

\$1.50 per dozen, \$10.00 per hundred. New Rochelle or Lawton.

#### STRAWBERRIES.

25 cents per dozen, \$1.00 to \$2.00 per hundred.

EARLY SCARLET-A well known, early variety, productive.

GREEN PROLIFIC-Fruit large, of a fine scarlet color, very productive.

DOWNER'S PROLIFIC-Recommended.

Charles Downing—Handsome, good quality, large size and productive; sells at highest price.

MARSHAL WILDER—Large, roundish, bright crimson scarlet, sweet and rich; very productive.

AMERICAN SEEDLING-Recommended.

WILSON'S ALBANY-One of the most productive and profitable.

#### RHUBARB.

Twenty-five cents per Root. \$2 per Dozen. Victoria—Large and productive. An early vegetable, very desirable.

#### ASPARAGUS-CONOVER'S COLOSSAL.

Two year old plants, \$5 per 100.

This vegetable is one of the most easily cultivated. It requires a deep, rich soil. To prepare the bed, spade 18 inches deep, mixing with manure thoroughly. Plant in rows 15 inches apart, a foot apart in the row, and about 4 inches deep. Dress liberally with salt and manure in the winter, and spade in the spring. It will need but little attention afterward. It requires from three to four years, from the seed, to bring it to perfection, but a bed once established will last perhaps a life-time.

## Ornamental Department.

#### EVERGREENS.

Evergreens are indispensable to every collection of Ornamental Trees. Aside from the pleasure which their winter vendure affords the eye, they are exceedingly useful for the shelter which they furnish at all seasons. Carefully selected and tastefully arranged they give to our door-yards and parks an air of dignity and refinement which can be gained in no other way. They are neat and beautiful at all seasons and may be readily and permanently enjoyed by those who feel that they can not afford to trouble themselves with flower beds and borders every spring.

Our Evergreens are all nursery cultivated, and have been repeatedly transplanted. They possess stocky, symmetrical and compactly formed tops and an abundance of roots. When lifted, the roots are canvassed with the earth on them, so that there is very little risk in removing them. They are almost all of the hardier kinds, and have withstood our coldest Winters. To those wishing for superior, well grown and well formed evergreens, we can present inducements.

Prices vary with the style and size of trees. Large orders filled at much lower prices than those quoted.

#### Arbor Vitæ.

AMERICAN—A moderately growing tree, with finely divided branches covered with flat, green foliage from top to bottom; a fine lawn tree and beautiful for hedges and screens. From 2 to 8 feet high. \$1.00 to \$5.00 each.

COMPACTA—A small, elegant tree, dwarf and very compact with a conical head of bright green foliage. 75 cents to \$1.00 each.

Siberian—An exceedingly beautiful tree, compact and erect, with deep, green foliage, retaining its color remarkably well in Winter, and perfectly hardy. \$1.00 to \$1.50 each.

#### Balsam Fir.

Balsam Fir—A very popular evergreen, neat and thrifty, of pyramidal shape, and dark, green foliage; indispensable even in small collections. From 2 to 8 feet high. \$1.00 to \$5.00 each.

#### Juniper.

Sweedish—A dwarfish growing evergreen, with fine purplish green foliage, compact and pyramidal in shape; very popular. From 2 to 6 feet high. \$1.00 to \$5.00 each.

IRISH—A very pretty, tapering, upright tree, of small size, compact and very hardy; they are unsurpassed as ornaments for cemeteries; our collection of these is unusually fine. \$1.00 to \$2.00 each.

Pine.

Austrian—A hardy, free growing tree; leaves, long, dark green, easily moved; new and of great beauty. From 3 to 5 feet high. \$1.00 to \$2.00 each.

Corsican—A beautiful, European variety, with long, curiously twisted, pale green leaves. \$1.00 to \$2.00 each.

SCOTCH-A handsome and rapidly growing tree, with blueish green foliage; does well everywhere. From 2 to 10 feet high. \$1.00 to \$8.00 each.

White—A native tree, very handsome, with silvery green foliage; a fine grower. From 2 to 8 feet high. \$1.00 to \$5.00 each.

#### Red Cedar.

RED CEDAR—A native tree, very well known and highly esteemed. \$1.00 to \$3.00 each.

#### Spruce.

Norway Spruce—One of the best evergreen trees, lofty, erect and symmetrical, the smaller branches drooping in the older specimens, which gives it a very graceful appearance; it is being extensively planted for protective screens; for lawn planting, it is unsurpassed, not only for its majestic beauty, but also for its extreme hardiness. From 2 to 8 feet high. \$1.00 to \$10.00 each.

Hemlock—When small, the most beautiful of all our native evergreens, of dark green, gracefully drooping foliage, retaining its richness at all seasons; a delightful lawn tree, full of grace and beauty; desirable also for evergreen hedges. 3 to 10 feet high. \$1.00 to \$8.00 each.

#### Tree Box.

TREE Box-A very desirable, small tree, in the yard or garden, well adapted to small places; prefers a shady situation; can be made to assume any form; fine for borders or ornamental hedges. 1 foot high. 50 cents each, much less by quantity.

#### DECIDUOUS TREES.

Nursery grown shade trees are worth two or three times as much as those taken from the forest. They grow easily and rapidly, with handsome, symmetrical tops, and rich, glossy foliage. Most persons, from a sense of false economy, get their shade trees directly from the forest, but they find that they grow with great difficulty, and then, for the most part, with slow and stunted growth.

We offer of the following varieties, finely formed, vigorous

trees at 50 cents to \$1.00 each, according to size.

Sugar Maple—A well known tree, of stately growth, fine form and beautiful foliage.

SILVER OR SOFT MAPLE—Growth more rapid than the above, with

leaves white underneath.

Lombardy Poplar—Peculiarly erect, of pyramidal form and rapid growth.

Tulip Tree or Common Poplar—A superb, majestic tree, of rapid growth, with broad, glossy leaves and tulip like flowers.

#### ORNAMENTAL SHRUBS.

Althea—Several varieties and colors, single and semi-double. 30 cents each.

CALANTHIS-Sweet scented shrub, wood and flowers fragrant 30 cents each.

DELYTRIA—A fine, hardy, herbaceous plant, flowers of a novel shape and color, white and pink; very desirable. 25 cents each.

DEUTZIA--(Gracilis)--An exceedingly pretty, small shrub; flowers pure white; very hardy; fine for clumps of borders

Forsythia--(Verdissima)--Leaves deep green, flowers bright yellow, very early in Spring. 30 cents each.

Honeysuckle-(Upright)-Neat and pretty shrub, hardy, blooms profusely in Spring. 30 cents each.

LILACS—Common, Persian Cutleaved—All pretty and quite indispensible in a collection of shrubs; 30 cents each.

Japan Quince-Rich, crimson flowers, with glossy, green leaves; very hardy; not affected by drouth; beautiful singly, and makes a handsome ornamental hedge. 25 cents each, \$10.00 per hundred.

Spirea-The Spireas are all desirable, very neat and profuse flowering shrubs of the easiest culture and very hardy. BILLARDI, light pink, blooms for a long time; Collosa, red; Lanceolato, narrow pointed leaves, large clusters of round white flowers that cover the whole plant; Douglassi, elegant foliage; beautiful, deep rose colored flowers in dense plumes; late; Prunifolia, flowers like daisies, pure white, very double and beautiful; Grandiflora, long, plume shaped flowers, deep pink; Summer and Fall; Revessi, white in clusters; one of the best. 25 to 50 cents each.

Snow Ball --- A well known, favorite shrub, with globular clusters of snow white flowers. 30 cents each.

Syringa, or Mock Orange-Common: a large, free, white blooming shrub. Fragrant: blooming more in clusters; flowers large and fragrant; very desirable. 30 cents each.

VENETIAN SUMAC, OR SMOKE TEEE-A shrub or small tree, bearing a fine blossom, enveloping the tree and continuing several months. It is much admired. 50 cents to \$1 each.

Weigelia-Rosea: an elegant shrub, with fine rose colored flowers, blooming in May. Amabalis: more robust, with larger leaves and flowers than the preceding. Blooms in Spring and Fall. 30 cents each.

#### VINES AND CREEPERS.

BIGNONIA, OR VIRGINIA TRUMPET FLOWER-Well known and highly esteemed; growth stout and vigorous, flowers orange colored and trumpet shaped. 30 cents each.

CLEMATIS, OR VIRGIN BOWER-A very rapid growing, beautiful vine, with a profusion of fine white flowers. 30 cents each.

WISTARIA, OF GLYCINE-A large, rapid growing vine, with long, pinneate leaves, and racemes of pale lilae flowers; very desirable. 30 cents each.

Honeysuckles-Chinese, part evergreen, variagated, white and yellow; Japanese, a hardy, evergreen honeysuckle, a great grower and very fragrant; GERMAN MONTHLY, fragrant, orange colored or yellow, and red; blooms all Summer; very free grower; Coral, flowers crimson. 25 cents each.

#### ROSES,

they bear they complete to the QUEEN OF PRAIRIES-Bright, rosy red, large, compact, globular; a vigorous grower; Baltimore Belle, pale blush, often white very compact and double. Large, fine plants, 50 cents each.

#### MONTHLY ROSES.

A few hardy, desirable, Monthly Roses of the standard kinds. Good sized, thrifty plants, 50 cents each.

## George Dana's



# GIDER VINEGAR.

WE are now prepared to furnish the above Vinegar in barrels, half barrels and kegs, to suit the wants of families. This Vinegar, which has been a prominent product of the Dana Farm for over 40 years, is WARRANTED to be made from the PURE JUICE of the apple by the natural process of age, and to be ENTIRELY FREE from mixtures of water or any other substance.

We will be pleased to furnish families, whether ordering Nursery Stock or not, with this Vinegar, and we guarantee that it will be entirely satisfactory; of fine flavor and great strength. Indeed, for most purposes, it is better when watered one-half. Save trouble and expense by ordering Vinegar and Nursery Stock together.

GEORGE DANA & SONS.

